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TO: Interested Applicants

FROM: Lissa Abrams  
Deputy Director, MHA

DATE: February 14, 2011

Re: Applicant Interest Meeting for Approval as a Mental Health Community Provider

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The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) Mental Hygiene Administration (MHA) and the Office of Health Care Quality (OHCQ) have scheduled an Applicant Interest Meeting on **March 9, 2011; registration begins at 8:30 am**, meeting begins at 9:00 A.M. at the Maryland Psychiatric Research Center, Auditorium, on the grounds of Spring Grove Hospital Center, 55 Wade Avenue, Catonsville, Maryland 21228.

Prior to applying for approval as a Mental Health Community Provider, an applicant must attend an Applicant Interest Meeting. If you have an application currently pending with the OHCQ, the OHCQ will not issue a decision on this application until there is verification that you attended an Applicant Interest Meeting.

MHA and OHCQ are convening the Applicant Interest Meeting to assist potential providers to understand Maryland's Public Mental Health System (PMHS) and the laws and regulations that govern entities who provide community mental health services in order to receive public funds. .

Prior to attending the Applicant Interest Meeting, the application and regulations may be downloaded. A list of the governing laws and regulations and web site addresses are attached.

Please contact Charmaine Flood 410-402-8051 or [cflood@dhmh.state.md.us](mailto:cflood@dhmh.state.md.us), to register if you attend the Applicant Interest Meeting.

If you have any questions please contact Ms. Kanely, OHCQ at 410-402-8057 or Sharon Ohlhaver, MHA, on 410 402-8300 Thank you.

OHCQ Website: <http://www.dhmh.state.md.us/ohcq/index.html>

MHA Website: <http://www.dhmh.state.md.us/mha/>

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